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SUBJECT: BONN ANTI-HIJACKING DECLARATION

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- 1. EMBOFF RAISED ISSUE OF SUMMIT DECLARATION BEING MADE MORE PRECISE AND SPECIFIC WITH ELFGEN. ELFGEN SAID HE EMPHASIZED TO HIS CANADIAN INTERLOCUTOR THAT HIS REMARKS WERE PERSONAL AND THEORETICAL. HE DESCRIBED HIS CONVERSATION AS "BRAINSTORMING" IN ORDER TO EXPLORE VARIOUS MEANS THE SEVEN COULD MAKE THE DECLARATION MORE INTELLIGIBLE AND COMPATIBLE TO OTHER NATIONS.
- 2. ELFGEN, AGAIN SPEAKING PERSONALLY, NOTED THAT THE REACTIONS OF OTHER COUNTRIES HAD NOT BEEN AS POSITIVE AS HAD FIRST BEEN EXPECTED. THE SEVEN MAY CONFIDENTIAL.

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HAVE A NEED TO EXPLORE ALL POSSIBLE ROUTES BY WHICH THE DECLARATION WOULD BE MORE ACCEPTABLE TO OTHER COUNTRIES, NOT BY WEAKENING THE RESOLVE OF THE SEVEN BUT BY DEFINING MORE PRECISELY WHAT THE DECLARATION ENTAILED. HE CITED AS AN EXAMPLE THE REACTION OF TUNISIA, WHOSE GOVERNMENT THOUGHT THE DECLARATION HAD TO BE MORE PRECISE BEFORE ITS LEGAL AUTHORITIES

COULD RECOMMEND ACCEPTANCE. ELFGEN STATED THAT THE FRG'S PRIME OBJECTIVE REMAINS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION, WHEN NECESSARY, AND THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE DECLARATION BY AS MANY COUNTRIES AS POSSIBLE. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THE FRG REMAINS TOTALLY COMMITTED TO THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION IN THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE MANNER. HE SAID THAT AS PART OF THIS COMMITMENT, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY WOULD SOON BE DESIGNATING A FULL-TIME OFFICER WITHIN THE REFERAT TO HANDLE ISSUES CONCERNING THE DECLARATION. MEEHAN

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